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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2009. The Office Action set forth a three-month period for amendment/response, and Applicant submits a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time herewith, making this Amendment due on or before January 23, 2010. Since January 23, 2010, was a Saturday, this response can be timely filed on the next business day, Monday, January 25, 2010. 35 U.S.C. §21(b).

Amendments to the Claims appear in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.